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Cholera, yellow fever, plague, and smallpox, etc.—Continued.

SMALLPOX—Continued.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Russia:				
Moscow.....	Dec. 24-Apr. 15...	150	51	
Odessa.....	Jan. 7-Apr. 29...	40	7	
St. Petersburg.....	Jan. 1-Apr. 22...	119	13	
Warsaw.....	Jan. 16-Apr. 15...		27	
Turkey:				
Bagdad.....	Oct. 22-Nov. 27...	96	20	
Constantinople.....	Jan. 2-May 1.....		151	
Rhodes.....	Apr. 17.....	1		
Smyrna.....	Dec. 25-Apr. 15...		1	
Uruguay:				
Montevideo.....	Mar. 1-Mar. 18...		1	

Current quarantine measures.

[Translated in this Bureau from the Veröffentlichungen des Kaiserlichen Gesundheitsamtes, Berlin, April 19 and 24, 1899.]

CRETE.—The quarantine regulations formulated by the International Health Commission at Constantinople against arrivals from Djiddah have been put in force by the authorities of the island.

EGYPT.—The plague regulations declared March 15, against Port Louis are declared out of force.

NETHERLANDS.—By order of April 8, the minister of the interior declares as follows:

1. The port of Calcutta is declared infected.
2. The period of observation for infected vessels shall be extended to ten days.

MADAGASCAR.—According to advices of March 2, the quarantine at Tamatave is suspended, and vessels leaving that port are now being given clean bills of health.

STRAITS SETTLEMENT—*Singapore*.—The ports of Calcutta and Hongkong were declared infected, February 27, and March 15, respectively. All arrivals from the ports named shall, until further notice, be detained until the expiration of nine days from the date of their departure, or from the appearance of the last case of sickness on board, or until they receive free pratique from the colonial authorities.

SOUTH AFRICAN REPUBLIC.—According to advices of March 16, the Government has ordered that, inasmuch as no new plague suspect cases have occurred in the country, and as the cases at Middleburg and Cape Minden have been ascertained not to be plague, the prohibition against entry of Hindoos is removed.

SANITARY REPORTS FROM THE CENTRAL AMERICAN AND COLOMBIAN FRUIT PORTS.

As stated in PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS for March 31, 1899, acting assistant surgeons of the Marine-Hospital Service have been detailed for duty in the office of the consuls in certain Central American and Colombian fruit ports. These officers and their stations are as follows: C. W. Knights, at Belize, British Honduras; N. K. Vance, at Living-

ston, Guatemala; Act. Asst. Surg. L. R. Wailes, at Puerto Cortez, Honduras; Wm. T. Hamilton, at La Ceiba, Honduras; D. W. Goodman, at Bluefields, Nicaragua; Wm. H. Corson, at Port Limon, Costa Rica, and Act. Asst. Surg. H. B. Mohr, at Bocas del Toro, Colombia.

The following reports have been received from these officers:

BRITISH HONDURAS.

Belize.—Acting Assistant Surgeon Knight reports, May 11, that the sanitary conditions of Belize are very good; prevailing disease malaria; no infectious or contagious disease in Belize or near surrounding country. The steamer *Manogue* sails this morning for Mobile; the steamer *Breakwater* sails this afternoon for New Orleans. Captains, crews, and passengers all in good health.

COLOMBIA.

Bocas del Toro.—Acting Assistant Surgeon Mohr reports, May 6, as follows—

I have the honor to submit report for week ended Friday, May 5, 1899.

The following vessels have cleared and sailed from this port during the week: April 30, steamship *Kitty*, Olsen, 17 crew, for Mobile, 1 passenger; steamship *Franklin*, Mussen, 14 crew, for New Orleans, no passengers. May 3, steamship *John Wilson*, Olsen, 17 crew, for Mobile, 4 passengers. May 4, steamship *Phoenix*, Sewall, 17 crew, for New Orleans, no passengers. May 5, steamship *Utstein*, Aarsvold, 15 crew, for Mobile, 1 passenger; steamship *Fulton*, Jacobsen, 14 crew, for New Orleans, 2 passengers.

The health of Bocas del Toro and the surrounding country is very good. Local physicians report very little malarial fever. The weather has been exceptionally warm, and very little rain has fallen during the week.

Two deaths have come to my knowledge, 1 an infant, cause not ascertained; 1 a Chinaman, cause suicide.

I have had occasion during the week to visit several points in the Chiriqui lagoon, where I found the sanitary conditions good. The manner of handling and loading the vessels in the lagoon commended itself to me. The ships come to anchor about one-half mile from the shore, and the lighters with the fruit are brought by steam launches, which are then unloaded by the laborers on the ships. As this work proceeds very rapidly, there is little time for any further communication with the shore. As the master of the ship is not concerned with the loading, he has ample time to keep a vigilant watch over his ship.

I propose to make such trips from time to time until I have visited all loading points in the lagoon.

May 13, as follows: I have the honor to submit report for the week ended Friday, May 12, 1899. The following vessels have cleared and sailed from this port for ports in the United States: May 6, steamship *Colombia*, Berg, 16 crew, for Mobile, no passengers. May 10, steamship *Yumuri*, Boc, 16 crew, for Mobile, 2 passengers. May 11, steamship *Baracoa*, Wolden, 16 crew, for Mobile, no passengers; steamship *España*, Danielsen, 14 crew, for New Orleans, no passengers.

The health of this port and the surrounding country is good. I have seen a few cases of malarial fever, all of the tertian variety. No remit-